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** HRSA Offers Help with HIPAA **

HHS' Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) is accepting applications for a \$15 million grant program to help small rural hospitals of 49 or fewer beds implement certain programs, including HIPAA compliance. The agency announced the Small Rural Hospital Improvement Grant Program June 5 in the Federal Register, reports Health Data Management.

Read more: <http://www.hipaadvisory.com/news/index.htm#0607hrsa.htm>

** HHS Receives Thousands of Requests to Extend
Compliance Deadline **

According to AHANews, more than 13,000 companies and organizations are seeking an additional year to comply with HHS' rule on electronic data interchange, Elizabeth Holland of HHS' Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Service told a regulation compliance conference this week. Affected entities have until Oct. 15 to submit a compliance plan or ask for an extension under the Administrative Simplification Compliance Act (ASCA).

Read more about ASCA: <http://www.hipaadvisory.com/regs/asca/index.htm>

**** C-SPAN Aired Medical Privacy Interviews ****

C-SPAN's Washington Journal program recently aired two interviews on medical privacy and the HIPAA privacy regulation. The first interview, with HHS deputy secretary Claude Allen, aired on Wednesday, May 29. The second interview, aired on Thursday, May 30, was with Janlori Goldman, director of Georgetown University's Health Privacy Project.

Read more: <http://www.hipaadvisory.com/news/index.htm#0603cspan>

**** Health Privacy Project Releases Revised Summaries of Eight More States' Statutes ****

On June 3, the Health Privacy Project released revised summaries of the health privacy statutes of eight states: Delaware, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, New Hampshire and Oklahoma. These updated summaries reflect changes in state health privacy statutes that have been made since our original report, *The State of Health Privacy: An Uneven Terrain (A Comprehensive Survey of State Health Privacy Statutes)*, was published in 1999. The Health Privacy Project will continue to issue updated state summaries over the next few weeks.

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* Taiwan Aims To Reduce Medical Costs With Health Smart Card
<http://www.hipaadvisory.com/tech/smartcards.htm#060602ct>

* Only Mostly Dead: RIP PKI. Why a security platform never took off.
<http://www.hipaadvisory.com/tech/pki.htm#052302rip>

* Biometric Technologies Don't Stand Up to Testing

<http://www.hipaadvisory.com/tech/biometrics.htm#053102sans>

> Section on Vulnerability Scanning:

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HIPAAlive-Premium: <http://www.hipaadvisory.com/live/prem.htm?t>

HIPAAlive Doc Site: <http://www.hipaadvisory.com/MembersOnlySignup/>

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